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Deyahn phoned about 12:45, while I was preparing to leave to meet with Maude Eklen. She gave me a loud, bright, "Hi!" and then started talking to somewhere where she is as soon as she went to another phone. "All right, all right!" she said, then she said she couldn't talk to me then but would call me back. Marge was then asleep. I got work and moved by the phone. When Marge came down about 2:20 I asked her to phone D, who then spoke to me. She was tied up but had news, had a date tonight if she gets her work done in time to keep it, has a bad heat rash on her leg and the doctor is not going to change cast.

Most of her conversation was about Thornley and what she said she read in the files last night. She said that when John Joerg had phoned, the message was given those who phoned her, with other messages. She did not get home until 3-4 a.m. She will call me when she is free again. I told her my schedule for the rest of the day. Marge is taking me to the Steak Pit, then I'm going briefly to Barbara's. She emphasized that she had told me from the beginning that she could not lay all her cards on the table, that she still couldn't, that it would hurt her, and not to lean on her (While conceding I never did). She knows things about Bringuier she cannot tell.

What she says of Thornley is, where I have knowledge, exactly accurate and includes much I could not have told her. She calls him her "friend". The clear inference is that he is CIA and that the CIA is now taking care of him. This was fairly explicit when I said, in response to her comment about his having a very high-priced lawyer (which could have come from me) that he and his wife between then had an income of only $5,000 last year. She said she has spent $4,300 in the hospital alone last year, that she had concelled checks to prove it, and that this was much more than her income shown on the tax. She had earlier told me that her income was not accounted for in her tax return and that this is the way it was supposed to be, officially.

At Tampa, a well-know psychiatrist who had taken care of Godfrey is looking out for Kerry's interests, not professionally but apparently for the company. They use his boat and she has seen pictures of them together on his boat (the first time I met her she had said she had just returned from Tampa). She has seen letters from Kerry to unnamed people, apparently copies.

"Some things about Bringuier I can't help you with".

She went into details about litigation Thornley is preparing against me ("cuts you up" and says he does it persuasively and that he also does it with Barbara, having statements from four people who place her elsewhere the night she says she saw Thornley at the Bourbon House with Oswald, people not close to Thornley). It is accompanied by a "notice", a press statement mailed night before last. First she said I should have gotten a copy, then that perhaps he would not send me one. About three pages long. There is also what I take to be the draft of a petition, she describes

it as on longer paper, which I take to be legal paper, says it is addressed to no particular court, the place of filing not having been determined, that he has two lawyers aside from the big name, that it charges me with being responsible for his arrest, that it includes a copy of Clint Bolton's column in the Vieux Carre Gazette, that it has letters I wrote a paper about him, including the comment that Bolton's letter had anti-semitic overtones, which is what I did what and seem to recall (she said he had referred to me as Weisberger), all in the file in the office. She said she tried to phone me last night but had lost the last number of the phone number from her cast and couldn't, that she got John's from those who had been told she had called. She said, correctly, that he had left no number, and they had supplied it too, she having also lost that. (Will now not be possible for her to have me meet her sister). Had she gotten me, would have read papers to me.

who "doesn't want to get involved"

There will be more stuff.

The lawyers offered the opinion that what he says of me is not libellous.

File has picture of KT in Marine fatigues. "He and Oswald look exactly alike."

File has copy of letter by Thornley's lawyers saying, "Mr. Thornley has proven that he has the means to meet his fee".

She said the file contained a copy of a letter from Jim Alcock saying I have no connection with Garrison. If true, I didn't know it.

Her voice, again, was different, thinner, a little more excited, as it had yesterday when she had phoned.

I assured her I consider it unlikely Thornley will sue me, particularly if he has company connections, that my writing about him was both accurate and priveliged, that opposite to causing his arrest I had sent him the message that Garrison's interest in him was inevitable, and that I would welcome the suit although I'd have trouble defending it. She said the suits were harrassment and I agreed that they cost me money I didn't have and took time from other work.

If this information turns out to be accurate, it will be certain that she has excellent sources, whether or not those she infers. She said she could see the files because she was on duty.